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## Ocoee Fire Department Announces Promotions

Ocoee, Florida – The City of Ocoee Fire Department is pleased to announce the following promotions: Battalion Chief Mike Reed and Engineer Ron Tosi. A badge pinning ceremony to recognize these promotions was held at the Ocoee City Commission meeting on September 20. (See attached photos)



*Battalion Chief Mike Reed is pinned by his son, Orlando Firefighter Paramedic Nick Reed.*

Mike Reed, a 22 year veteran of the Ocoee Fire Department, was promoted to the rank of Battalion Chief. He was hired in 1989 and was promoted to Engineer in 1994. Two years later, he was promoted again to Lieutenant and now Battalion Chief. Battalion Chief Reed played a key role in development of the city's Fire Prevention program for public schools and children. In his current role as Battalion Chief, he serves as the shift commander managing the 15 fire

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department personnel staffing three Ocoee fire stations for their 24-hour duty shift. In addition, Battalion Chief Reed responds as the incident commander for fires and other emergencies.



*Ron Tosi holds his new Engineer Fire helmet as he makes remarks on his promotion.*

Engineer Ron Tosi began his career with the Ocoee Fire Department in 2006 when he was hired as a Firefighter EMT. Shortly after becoming a Firefighter EMT, he entered Paramedic school and was certified as a Paramedic in 2007. In his current assignment as Engineer, he is the driver/operator of the pumper (fire engine) and is responsible for getting all personnel to the scene safely. Engineer Tosi is responsible for operating the pump and controlling the water supply for various hose lines that are in operation on fire scenes. He holds an Associate of Science Degree in Emergency Medicine and is currently pursuing his Bachelor's Degree.

For more information, call the Ocoee Fire Department at 407-905-3140.

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